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In re Application of: Rickey D. Hart et al.  
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Title: SURGICAL FASTENING SYSTEM AND  
METHOD FOR USING THE SAME  
Group Art Unit: 3731  
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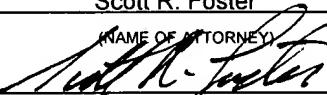
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